| Districts | No. of Cases | Nature of Malpractice | Action taken |
|---|---|---|---|
| 3. Vaishali | 1 | Positive variation in MS/HSD. | Sales/supplies suspended for 15 days. Sample passed. |
| 4. Giridih | 1 | Stock variation in MS/HSD. | Sales suspended. FIR lodged under EC Act. Outlet remains closed |
| | | LPG | |
| **(April '90 to March '91)** | | | |
| Patna | 1 | No effecting home delivery. | Warning letter was issued. |
| **(April '90 to June '91)** | | | |
| Dhanbad | 1 | Delay in issue of new connections. | Under investigation. |
| Gaya | 1 | —Do — | —Do— |

**Sale of Aircrafts by Indian Airlines**

4576. SHRI PRATAPRAO B. BHONSLE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Airlines propose to sell its old aircrafts;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any reserve price has been fixed for these aircrafts;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) if not, the reasons therefor;

(f) whether these aircrafts are proposed to be sold at profitable value; and

(g) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Four Boeing 737-200 aircrafts of Indian Airlines purchased by it in 1970 and 1971 are proposed to be sold.

(c) to (e) Since open tenders have been invited, it is not possible to disclose the reserve price.

(f) Yes, Sir.

(g) Does not arise.

**Railway Lines in Karnataka**

4577. SHRIMATI BASAVARAJESWARI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Karnataka has submitted some proposals for construction of new railway lines in Karnataka;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the number of projects approved out of them; and

(c) the reasons for not accepting the other proposals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The State Government of Karnataka have recently requested for the following new railway lines:

| Sl. No. | Proposals sent | Remarks |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | Hospet-Hubli-Ankola (280 kms.) | 1&2. On the basis of the surveys carried out earlier, the projects were found to be financially unremunerative. On repeated requests, updating of the survey reports have been taken up. Further action will depend on results of survey and availability of resources. |
| 2. | Kottur-Harihar railway line (68 kms.) | |
| 3. | Bangalore circular railway. | 3. This concerns local authorities, State Government and Ministry of Urban Development. Railway are prepared to render technical assistance if funds are made available by the State Govt. and Ministry of Urban Development for these projects. |

**Payment of Bills by State Electricity Boards**

4578. SHRI MUKUL WASNIK: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether several State Electricity Boards have withheld payment of their bills to the Union Government;

(b) if so, the details of the pending bills, State-wise;

(c) whether the Government propose to introduce a policy of advance payment by the State Elecricity Boards in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (c) No, Sir. There is no payments due from State Electricity Boards to the Union Government.

(b) and (d) Do not arise.

**Privatisation of ITDC Business**

4579. SHRIMATI GEETA MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the details of India Tourism Development Corporation properties, business activities which have been given to the private parties/firms, fully or partly; and